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ULTRA-MINIATURE MAGNETIC DEVICE

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

The present amendment comprises the following sections:

- A. Amendments to the Specification
- B. Amendments to the Claims
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